Complete Summary

TITLE

HIV ambulatory care satisfaction: percentage of HIV positive adult patients who reported whether if they knew someone who was HIV-positive and had a substance use problem, they would refer her or him to this program for help.

SOURCE(S)

New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute. Patient satisfaction survey for HIV ambulatory care (PSS-HIV). Albany (NY): New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute; 2002 Mar. 54 p.

Measure Domain

PRIMARY MEASURE DOMAIN

Patient Experience

The validity of measures depends on how they are built. By examining the key building blocks of a measure, you can assess its validity for your purpose. For more information, visit the Measure Validity page.

SECONDARY MEASURE DOMAIN

Does not apply to this measure

Brief Abstract

DESCRIPTION

This measure is used to assess the percentage of HIV positive adult patients who reported whether if they knew someone who was HIV-positive and had a substance use problem, they would refer her or him to this program for help.

This measure is part of the Patient Satisfaction Survey for HIV Ambulatory Care (PSS-HIV) -- Outpatient Substance Use Treatment Module.

RATIONALE

Patient satisfaction has recently emerged as an important measure of the quality of health care delivery, right alongside the more traditional health status measurements and quality of life indicators. This is based largely on the discovery

that patients with higher satisfaction levels often make important behavioral changes, including:

- Maintaining more stable relationships with health care providers
- Complying more closely with medical advice and treatment
- Keeping appointments

Patients with higher satisfaction levels may also have improved health outcomes.

Many HIV providers have been measuring patient satisfaction at their HIV programs for some time. Others are just beginning. Measuring patient satisfaction will help to:

- Strengthen communication and build relations with patients
- Assess the strengths and weaknesses of HIV programs from the patients' perspective
- Focus the quality improvement efforts
- Create baseline data against which to measure changes in patient satisfaction

Taken together, these outcomes represent key opportunities to make and monitor the changes required to achieve some important goals: improving patient satisfaction and improving care overall.

PRIMARY CLINICAL COMPONENT

HIV; ambulatory care; outpatient substance use treatment; patient satisfaction

DENOMINATOR DESCRIPTION

HIV positive adult patients 18 years of age and older engaged in a substance use treatment program who completed the survey

NUMERATOR DESCRIPTION

The number of patients who indicated "Definitely Yes," "Maybe," "Definitely Not," or "Not Sure" to the item, "If I knew someone who was HIV-positive and had a substance use problem, I would refer her or him to this program for help."

Evidence Supporting the Measure

EVIDENCE SUPPORTING THE CRITERION OF QUALITY

- A formal consensus procedure involving experts in relevant clinical, methodological, and organizational sciences
- Focus groups
- One or more research studies published in a National Library of Medicine (NLM) indexed, peer-reviewed journal

Evidence Supporting Need for the Measure

NEED FOR THE MEASURE

Unspecified

State of Use of the Measure

STATE OF USE

Current routine use

CURRENT USE

Internal quality improvement

Application of Measure in its Current Use

CARE SETTING

Ambulatory Care Community Health Care Physician Group Practices/Clinics

PROFESSIONALS RESPONSIBLE FOR HEALTH CARE

Psychologists/Non-physician Behavioral Health Clinicians Social Workers

LOWEST LEVEL OF HEALTH CARE DELIVERY ADDRESSED

Individual Clinicians

TARGET POPULATION AGE

Age greater than or equal to 18 years

TARGET POPULATION GENDER

Either male or female

STRATIFICATION BY VULNERABLE POPULATIONS

Unspecified

Characteristics of the Primary Clinical Component

INCIDENCE/PREVALENCE

Unspecified

ASSOCIATION WITH VULNERABLE POPULATIONS

Unspecified

BURDEN OF ILLNESS

Unspecified

UTILIZATION

Unspecified

COSTS

Unspecified

Institute of Medicine National Healthcare Quality Report Categories

IOM CARE NEED

Living with Illness

IOM DOMAIN

Patient-centeredness

Data Collection for the Measure

CASE FINDING

Users of care only

DESCRIPTION OF CASE FINDING

HIV positive adult patients 18 years of age and older engaged in a substance use treatment program who completed the survey

DENOMINATOR SAMPLING FRAME

Patients associated with provider

DENOMINATOR INCLUSIONS/EXCLUSIONS

Inclusions

HIV positive adult patients 18 years of age and older engaged in a substance use treatment program who completed the survey

Exclusions Unspecified

DENOMINATOR (INDEX) EVENT

Clinical Condition Encounter

DENOMINATOR TIME WINDOW

Time window precedes index event

NUMERATOR INCLUSIONS/EXCLUSIONS

Inclusions

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Exclusions Unspecified

NUMERATOR TIME WINDOW

Fixed time period

DATA SOURCE

Patient survey

LEVEL OF DETERMINATION OF QUALITY

Not Individual Case

PRE-EXISTING INSTRUMENT USED

Unspecified

Computation of the Measure

SCORING

Frequency Distribution

INTERPRETATION OF SCORE

Unspecified

ALLOWANCE FOR PATIENT FACTORS

Unspecified

STANDARD OF COMPARISON

Internal time comparison

Evaluation of Measure Properties

EXTENT OF MEASURE TESTING

The development of this survey included feedback from multiple focus groups with HIV-positive patients and their providers and participating HIV programs for field-testing across New York State.

EVIDENCE FOR RELIABILITY/VALIDITY TESTING

New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute. Patient satisfaction survey for HIV ambulatory care (PSS-HIV). Albany (NY): New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute; 2002 Mar. 54 p.

Identifying Information

ORIGINAL TITLE

If I knew someone who was HIV-positive and had a substance use problem, I would refer her or him to this program for help.

MEASURE COLLECTION

Patient Satisfaction Survey for HIV Ambulatory Care

MEASURE SET NAME

Outpatient Substance Use Treatment Module

DEVELOPER

New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute

ADAPTATION

Measure was not adapted from another source.

RELEASE DATE

2002 Mar

MEASURE STATUS

This is the current release of the measure.

SOURCE(S)

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MEASURE AVAILABILITY

The individual measure, "If I knew someone who was HIV-positive and had a substance use problem, I would refer her or him to this program for help," is published in the "Patient Satisfaction Survey for HIV Ambulatory Care (PSS-HIV)." This document is available in Portable Document Format (PDF) from the New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute Web site.

COMPANION DOCUMENTS

The following are available:

- Psych Research. Summaries of focus groups and key information interviews for the HIV Patient Satisfaction Questionnaire Development Project (New York EMA phase). Albany (NY): New York State Department of Health; 2002 Feb. 66 p. This document is available in Portable Document Format (PDF) form the New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute Web site.
- Psych Research. Literature review for the design and validation of a patient satisfaction survey for HIV+ clients in ambulatory care settings. Albany (NY): New York State Department of Health; 2002 Jan. 41 p. This document is available in PDF form the New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute Web site.
- New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute. PSS-HIV5: Access database. In: Patient satisfaction survey for HIV ambulatory care (PSS-HIV) [internet]. Albany (NY): New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute; 2002 Oct [cited 2006 Jan 18]. [various p]. This database is available from the New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute Web site.

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